parts, reliability indigenous availability of spares etc. National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) is also exploring the suitability of technology for Indian coal ash in the contexts of Indian Power Scenario and would accordingly take decision for adoption of the technology.

The Central Electricity Authority has observed that the system is prone to failures due to problems of redundancy, high ash content in Indian coal, type of equipment, spare parts etc.

Procuring money from the Canada Government for Power Reforms

†4475. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are trying to procure money from Canada for power reforms;

(b) if so, whether Government have had any discussion so far with Canada Government on this subject; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) As per the agreement signed on 14.03.2002, Canadian International Development Agency has agreed to provide Canadian $13.9 million over a period of 3½ years to support Power Sector reforms in the States of Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh.

Electrification of all the villages in Rajasthan

4476. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Rajasthan that have not yet been electrified;

(b) whether there is any plan to allocate special funds to the State Government so that all villages can be electrified; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.